

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

Claims 20, 50, 51 and 55 have been amended to delete the recitation "a compound wherein R⁶ is methyl; R¹³ is ethyl; and R¹⁴ is hydroxymethyl". Claim 20 has been amended to limit R⁶ to hydrogen.

Turning to the Official Action, claims 20-21 and 50-56 were rejected under 35 USC 112, first and second paragraphs, on the basis that the former recitation was new matter and lacked sufficient antecedent basis.

This ground of rejection is overcome by the foregoing amendments.


In addition, it is noted that the foregoing amendments overcome any potential rejection of the claims under 35 USC 102 or 103 based upon the Heschel et al. reference.

Accordingly, it is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance, and such allowance is solicited.

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